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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2009, the term for response to which is set to expire on July 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 22 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on

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In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, 2'-0,4'-C-ETHYLENE NUCLEOTIDE paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.